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EXPANSION OF TELECOM SERVICES BY BSNL
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) has been able to fulfil the obligation of expanding telephone services in every part of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the teledensity in India at present as compared to the foreign countries;

(c) whether valuation of assets of the Department of Telecom Services (DTS) transferred to the BSNL have been undertaken by the Government;

(d) if so, the amount of network of Government`s telecom stock thus transferred;

(e) the manner in which the existing staff is likely to be adjusted under each department to safeguard their interest;

(f) whether the Government has calculated the additional financial burden that will evolve the BSNL; and

(g) if so, the details of such amount and the manner in which BSNL would waive off the liability?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. (SMT.) KILLI KRUPARANI)

(a) & (b) Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) is providing wireline and wireless services in all License Service Areas (LSAs) except Delhi and Mumbai where Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited (MTNL) provides the telecom services. BSNL augments its telecom network based on techno-commercial considerations.

The details of teledensity of India and some other countries as follows:

Conutry	Teledensity (in %)	
	Fixed	Mobile
India	2.71	74.15
Russia	30.93	179.31
United Kingdom	53.25	130.75
Australia	46.63	108.34
United States	47.91	105.91
China	21.16	73.19

(c) & (d) No such evaluation has been done.

(e) to (g) The staff has been transferred to BSNL and is utilized as per its operational requirement.